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SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following new claims:

- 11. (Newly Added) In a computer having an operating system and
- an application program, in which the application program performs a task of 2
 - providing data to a user, a method of protecting copyrighted received data,
- comprising the steps of: 4
 - (a) receiving by the operating system copyrighted data;
- (b) authenticating by the operating system the application 6
- 7 program;
- encrypting by the operating system the copyrighted data (c) 8 received in step (a); 9
- providing a decryption key from the operating system to the 10 (d) application program, if the application program is authenticated in step (b); 11
- 12 (e) transmitting the encrypted data of step (c) from the operating

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